CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA
JULY 7, 2020 - CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

INVOCATION
Councilmember Waterfield gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Councilmember Cordero led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Alice Patino, Councilmember Michael Moats, Councilmember Mike Cordero, Councilmember Gloria Soto, and Councilmember Etta Waterfield

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT AND REMOTE:
City Manager Jason Stilwell, City Attorney Thomas Watson, Fire Chief Leonard Champion, Chief of Police Phillip Hansen, Director of Finance Mary Harvey, Chief Information Officer Jeffrey Marecic, Director of Community Development Chuen Ng, Director of Recreation & Parks Alex Posada, Director of Utilities Shad Springer, Principal Civil Engineer David Beas, and Deputy City Clerk Beth Cleary

1 PROCLAMATIONS

A. **HOMETOWN HEROES PROGRAM.** The City Council received a presentation on the Hometown Heroes program to recognize Santa Maria residents who currently serve, or have served, in the United States Military by displaying a celebratory banner with the honorees military photograph and branch of service.

B. **PROCLAMATION** - Councilmember Soto presented a Proclamation recognizing the month of June 2020, as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in the City of Santa Maria, and encouraging all residents and businesses to respect the entire community and build a culture that strives for equity and equality for all people.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Cliff Solomon wrote in saying all City Council members should show leadership in these dangerous times, by wearing masks when in public. He asked how anyone could expect the community to be safe if City leaders don't follow the recommended guidelines to prevent the spread of Covid-19.

Carey Oberly and Debbie Jonas wrote that the fireworks were worse than ever this year.

Audy Macdonald wrote in concerned that the community is not being held accountable for its efforts to combat COVID-19. She encouraged the City to help lower numbers by enforcing social distancing and the use of masks.

Hazel Davalos and Gerardo Lorenz wrote about their concerns with the growing rate of COVID cases and that agriculture employers were not following protocol with farm workers.

Kate Adams spoke about her concerns in the increase in COVID-19 cases among agricultural workers.

Leslie McGorman spoke on the pandemic and said she was alarmed by the number of increasing cases and lack of action to help decrease the numbers. She also said she was concerned for H-2A farm workers and their living conditions.

City Manager Stilwell gave statistics about the July 4th fireworks and the outreach efforts the City made prior to July 4th. He indicated that the Fireworks Task Force was going to reconvene.

3 CONSENT CALENDAR
Consent Calendar Items 3A-3I were approved as presented, including the adoption of Resolution Nos. 2020-64, 2020-65, 2020-66, 2020-67, 2020-68, 2020-69, 2020-70, and 2020-71. The recorded vote appears with each item below.

A. Waive the reading in full of all Ordinances and Resolutions. Ordinances on the Consent Agenda will be adopted by the same vote cast at the first meeting, unless City Council indicates otherwise.

Action: Readings waived.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

B. Approve the Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 16, 2020.

Action: Minutes approved as submitted.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

C. Adopt Resolutions authorizing personnel changes, updating the salary schematic, and amending the Conflict of Interest Code as authorized in the 2020-22 City Budget.

Action: Personnel changes, salary schematic, and CCIC approved.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution Nos. 2020-64 & 2020-65. 5-0.

D. Accept as complete the installation of street trees associated with Enos Ranch, Tract 6000; and authorize the release of a Faithful Performance Bond [#0690031] in the amount of $114,750 posted in the form of a surety to guarantee the installation of 459 street and easement trees, including their maintenance for one year.

Action: Bond released.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

E. Adopt resolutions approving Operating Agreements with the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce (Chamber); the Santa Maria Valley Historical Society and Museum (Historical Society); Home for Good (through the United Way of Northern Santa Barbara County); and a resolution to approve an addendum to the current agreement between the City and the Chamber of Commerce for economic development services.

Action: Agreements with outside agencies approved.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution Nos. 2020-66, 2020-67, 2020-68, 2020-69. 5-0.

F. Adopt a Resolution confirming local emergency orders and actions of the Director of Emergency Services regarding Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), which include a local emergency order proclaiming a local emergency curfew.

Action: Local emergency orders confirmed.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2020-70. 5-0.

G. Payment of Warrants. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

H. Payment of Payroll. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Directors, as shown on records on file in the Department of Finance, and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

I. Adopt a Resolution establishing a tobacco retailer license fee in accordance with Ordinance 2019-11.

Action: Tobacco retailer license fee approved.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2020-71. 5-0.

4 PRESENTATION

A. The City Council received an update from the County of Santa Barbara Health Department regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) situation. Van Do-Reynoso, Terri Maus-Nisich, and Cathy Fisher gave an update from the County of Santa Barbara. Sue Andersen, of Dignity Health, gave an update on the hospital's situation with COVID-19 patients. Claire Wineman answered questions about how the Grower-Shipper Association is supporting COVID mitigation efforts.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Stilwell reported that the next regular City Council meeting would be July 21, 2020. Items on the agenda would include the first reading of the Rivergate Roemer Specific Plan and General Plan Zoning Amendment.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS)
Councilmember Waterfield reported she participated in the COVID-19 SB County information update phone call and attended a CCWA meeting.

Councilmember Soto reported she attended the Airport District Meeting.

Councilmember Moats reported he participated in the COVID-19 SB County information update phone call and attended an Airport District meeting.

Councilmember Cordero reported he attended the opening of the Preisker Park Inclusive Playground and a CAC meeting.

Mayor Patino reported she attended the opening of the Preisker Park Inclusive Playground; the SBCAG monthly Board Meeting; the APCD meeting; a couple of weekly meetings of key leaders; a couple of legislative briefing calls on COVID-19; a Marian Foundation Board Meeting; and a couple of Rotary meetings.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Approved at a regular meeting on July 21, 2020.

M. Beth Cleary
M. Beth Cleary, CMC
Deputy City Clerk and ex officio Clerk
of the City Council

ATTEST:

M. Beth Cleary
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Deputy City Clerk

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria